(c) what action has been taken by Government against the erring officials and whether Government propose to initiate tfresh guidelines to prevent such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. "UPENDRA): (a) to (c) Doordarshan had telecast a news story fed by PTI-TV on 25-2-1990 which carried predictions about the likely results in elections to some State Assemblies. The protest lodged by the said party to the Election Commission was conveyed to Doordarshan by the Commission. An enquiry was ordered ;ven before the Congress (1) protested against the telecast. Since presentation of such forecasts did not conform to the guidelines issued by the Government, the e'rring officials have been reprimanded and guidelines have once again been brought to the notice -of all officers dealing with news. Issue of any fresh guidelines is not considered necessary.

Request foi increase in Freedom Fighters pension

251. SHRl TALARI MANOHAR: Wil the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the South Zone Freedom-Fighters Association has requested Government to enhance the pension to Rs. 1000 per month in view of the ever increasing rise in the prices of essential commodities;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Association has also requested Government to grant Rs. 2000 to the family of deceased (freedom fighter for the post-obit ceremonies; and

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction' thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRl MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) No sudk demand from South Zone Freedom-Fighters Association has so far been received by Government.

(b) and (c) Do no$ arise in view of (a).

Development of surface transport in Andhra Pradesh

232, SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister off SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state.

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government have sent any proposals to Central Government for coordinated development of surface transport in -the State; if so the details thereof; and

(b) what is the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and .(b) No, Sir. The State Government of Andhra Pradesh hav© been from time to time projecting the requirements for construction and development of certain Iroads, canals etc. The important projects referred to by them have been the construction of coastal road from Tada to Itchapuram, development of existing National Highways conversion of some State roads as -National Highways, development of four, canals viz. Kakinada, Eluru, Commamur and Buckingam, Circular Railway or Mono Rail from Hyderabad City. There has however been no specific proposal ifOr inter-medal coordinated development.

Commissioning of high power TV" transmitter at Tirupati

253. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the progress made to commission high power TV. Transmitter at Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh?

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